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1. Citizens Militia (MO)

a. The headquarters of MO is located at Karowa Street, Warsaw; it contains the following sections:

- 1) Head Office and Adjutant's Office.
- 2) Investigation Branch.
- 3) Uniform Branch.
- 4) Political Education Section.
- 5) Editorial Offices of "MO" and "ORMOWIEC".
- 6) Personnel Section.
- 7) Headquarters Battalion; C.O.: Major Sokolski

b. Commanding Officer is General Konarzewski; Deputy Commanding Officer, Col. Franciszek Ksiezarczyk.*

c. The following 14 Voievodship and 2 City MO Commands are subordinate to the headquarters:

Warsaw City
Warsaw
Lodz City
Lodz
Kielce
Lublin
Bialystok
Olsztyn

Gdansk
Pomorze
Szczecin
Poznan
Wroclaw
Slask (Silesia)
Krakow
Rzeszow

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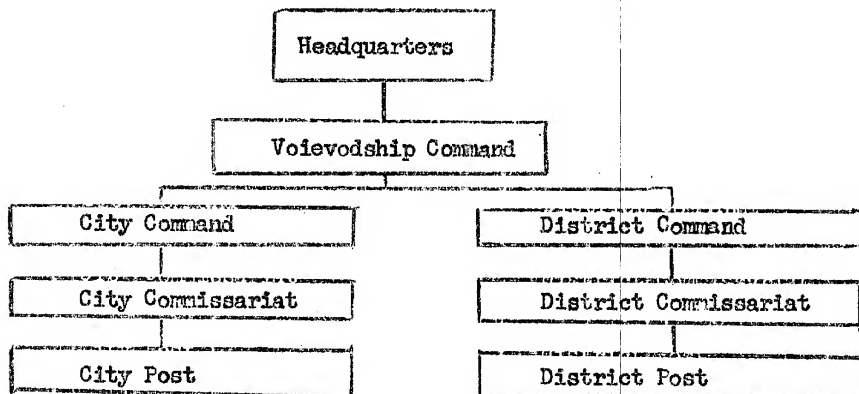
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d. The structure of MO is as follows:



e. The Voievodship Command at Bialystok is located at 57 Warszawska Street; its Commanding Officer is Lt. Col. Suchanek and its Deputy Commanding Officer and Operations Officer is Major Krupicki. This Command is composed of the following sections:

- 1) Investigation Branch.
- 2) Uniform Branch.
- 3) Political Education Section.
- 4) Personnel Section.
- 5) Supply and Transport Section.
- 6) Operations Company; C.O.: Capt. Rakowski.
- 7) MO Voievodship School.
- 8) 4 Town Commissariats at Bialystok.
- 9) 1 Traffic Commissariat at Bialystok. (Total strength of the five Commissariats: approximately 315 men)
- 10) 12 District Commissariats. (Each Commissariat has 60-80 men)

f. The central MO school is located at Slupsk.

2. Citizens Militia Volunteer Reserve (Ochotnicza Rezerwa Milicji Obywatelskiej - ORMO)

a. ORMO is subordinate to the Ministry of Public Security through the MO headquarters and is an auxiliary organization of MO.

b. ORMO consists of the following units:

Head Inspectorate
Voievodship Commands
City Commands

District Commands
Commissariats
Posts

c. Service in ORMO is generally furnished without pay, but there are a few paid posts at the Voievodship Commands (3-5) and the City Commands (2-3). Other ORMO members receive only their uniforms and food, as well as travel expenses, while on duty.

d. ORMO operates in every small village, factory, mine, etc. ORMO members keep their uniforms in their homes; arms and ammunition are retained at the central offices and issued only to those on duty.

e. Training of ORMO members, excluding patrol and guard duty, takes place twice weekly.

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